

# **Governor's Commission for a Drug Free Indiana**

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## **Comprehensive Community Plan**

**County: White**

**LCC: Partners for a Drug-Free White County**

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## Plan Summary

**Mission Statement:** To provide a forum for the exchange of information related to tobacco, alcohol and other drugs in our county, thereby empowering communities to create change.

**History:** Partners for a Drug-Free White County was formed for the purpose of uniting individuals, businesses and agencies within the county to create a forum for gathering and exchanging information related to alcohol, tobacco and other drugs. Furthermore, the goal of sharing this information was for the members of our community to come together in the battle to make our community a safe, healthy, drug-free environment for our families.

Partners for a Drug-Free White County is recognized as the Local Coordinating Council (LCC) for the Governor's Commission for a Drug-Free Indiana. The LCC holds quarterly meetings to address community issues and solicit community involvement in the areas of prevention, treatment and law enforcement/justice.

Since the formation of Partners for a Drug-Free White County, a countywide effort has been made to address substance abuse issues facing White County. White County has a population of 25,168 spread out over approximately 2,000 square miles. The median income is \$40,707, yet 7% live below the poverty level. It is a rural, agricultural community, where recreation and tourism are major influences. Indiana Beach and other attractions bring over 1.5 million visitors to the county each year. This adds to the burden of additional substance abuse issues. Combatting the ATOD issues and the additional issues from tourism is a huge problem. There are four school corporations in the county. There is one county mental health agency and several private mental health providers. These agencies, the county social service agencies and law enforcement agencies have agreed to work closely with the LCC to address substance abuse issues.

The focus of the LCC is coordination of services to combat the use and abuse of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs. The first step in this battle is prevention and education programs. The coalition works with the four county schools, the local mental health agencies, law enforcement and the media to bring a comprehensive program to the community. Through programs presented to the youth in schools, by the various agencies, the students are being taught the necessary life skills to make healthy choices and to refuse involvement with alcohol, tobacco and other drugs.

The next step is that Partners assists in coordinating the funding of programs focused on the identification of individuals who have problems with alcohol, tobacco and other drugs. After these individuals are identified, services are provided for assessment and referral for treatment. Through the treatment assistance program funded by the LCC, all community members have access to treatment programs.

Local law enforcement agencies are working hard to combat the ATOD problem in White County. Partners assist them in coordinating this battle and provide funding for needed equipment and manpower.

**Summary of the Comprehensive Community Plan:** Partners for a Drug-Free White County have identified three main problems to be addressed in the coming year. These problems are:

- (1) Juveniles often have drug and alcohol issues and are struggling to develop the necessary life skills that promote good interpersonal relationships, strong self-esteem, responsibility and the ability to resist peer pressures associated with alcohol, tobacco and other drugs.
- (2) White County residents, especially uninsured and underinsured adults and adolescents, have limited options when in need of services relating to substance use/abuse. Users and their relatives do not have available support services.
- (3) Law enforcement agencies within White County struggle to contain the manufacture/importation/use of drugs into White County by residents and visitors.

## Membership List

**County LCC Name: Partners for a Drug-Free White County**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Race</b>	<b>Gender</b>	<b>Category</b>
<b>Bedrick, Barbara</b>	<b>White County DFC</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Judiciary</b>
<b>Bilskie, Kim</b>	<b>Roosevelt Middle School</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Education</b>
<b>Brown, Veronica</b>	<b>Step Ahead</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Parent</b>
<b>Corso, Terry</b>	<b>White County Probation</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Judiciary</b>
<b>Lewis, Kathy</b>	<b>North White School Corporation</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Treatment</b>
<b>Bowsher, Deb</b>	<b>White County Tobacco Prevention</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	
<b>Lantz, Tony</b>	<b>White County Sheriff's Department</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Law Enforcement</b>
<b>Lehe, Jacqueline</b>	<b>Frontier Elementary</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Education</b>
<b>Lowry, Karen</b>	<b>Girl Scouts of America</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Prevention</b>
<b>Brubaker, Keli</b>	<b>White County Agriculture Association</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Education</b>
<b>Oliver, Brad</b>	<b>Twin Lakes School Corporation</b>	<b>Causacian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Education</b>
<b>Pritts, Tom</b>	<b>White County Shriff's Department</b>	<b>Causacian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Law Enforcement</b>
<b>Reinholt, Lee Ann</b>	<b>Chalmers Police Department</b>	<b>Causacian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Law Enforcement</b>
<b>Reynolds, Jim</b>	<b>Monticello Police Department</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Law Enforcement</b>
<b>Shriver, Gail</b>	<b>North White High School</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Law Enforcement</b>

<b>Soliday, Randy</b>	<b>Monticello Police Department</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Law Enforcement</b>
<b>Thompson, Stephanie</b>	<b>Indiana State Police</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Law Enforcement</b>
<b>Rawlings, Karah</b>	<b>Lafayette Crisis Center</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	
<b>Young, Roger</b>	<b>Monon Police Department</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Law Enforcement</b>
<b>Hollingsworth, Gary</b>	<b>Tri-County School</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Education</b>
<b>Guy, Robert</b>	<b>Prosecutor</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Judiciary</b>
<b>Roberts, John</b>	<b>Sheriff</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Law Enforcement</b>
<b>Thacker, Robert</b>	<b>Judge</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Judiciary</b>
<b>Jones, Jeff</b>	<b>NWHS Principal</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Education</b>
<b>Craig, Curt</b>	<b>NWMS Principal</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Education</b>
<b>Bassett, Kathlene</b>	<b>Frontier High School Counselor</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Education</b>
<b>Wilbanks, Susan</b>	<b>Twin Lakes HS Counselor</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Education</b>
<b>Leverenz, Scott</b>	<b>Roosevelt MS Counselor</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Education</b>
<b>Westfall, Beth</b>	<b>Roosevelt MS Librarian</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Education</b>
<b>Parrish, Elaine</b>	<b>NWMS Counselor</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Education</b>
<b>Little, Liz</b>	<b>Wabash Valley</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Treatment</b>
<b>Nahvi, Becky</b>	<b>Lafayette Crisis Center</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Prevention</b>
<b>Bolen, James</b>	<b>Burnettsville Police Dept.</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Law Enforcement</b>
<b>Ramsey, Wendy</b>	<b>Sheriff Reserves</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Law Enforcement</b>

## Problem Identification

**Problem Statement #1:** Juveniles often have drug and alcohol issues and are struggling to develop the necessary life skills that promote good interpersonal relationships, strong self-esteem, responsibility and the ability to resist peer pressures associated with tobacco, alcohol and other drug use.

### Supportive Data:

- In 2003, the juvenile probation department were involved with 69 youth for drug and alcohol related charges
- Community youth perceive underage drinking, dru use/abuse and other endangering activities acceptable.
- 2003 IPRC survey indicates high rate of juvenile use of cigarettes, alcohol and marijuana.
- 2002 IPRC surveys indiate that afirst use of alcohol and cigarettes is around age 7.
- Drug testing in schools showed 10 of 142 tests were positive for nicotine

### Year 1 Update:

- **In 2005, the juvenile probation department was involved with 21 youth for drug and alcohol related charges.**
- **All youth charged with drug and alcohol related offenses were referred for assessment/treatment.**
- **Indigent clients, youth and adult, were referred to the Partners Treatment Assistance Program for financial assistance is obtaining an assessment/treatment.**
- **Drug testing in White County schools showed that 126 students were given 150 drug tests with 7 of these tests being positive. Six were positive for nicotine and one for marijuana.**
- **Tri-County reports that in their IPRC Survey 2002 - showed a decline by 5% for alcohol use; a decline of tobacco use by 12% and marijuana use by 9%. They also report that Tri-County schools still consume twice as much tobacco and marijuana and three times as much alcohol as the state average.**
- **North White takes part in the IPRC survey every other year. They took part int he survey in the year 2005. The 2005 survey results showed that North White High School had a significant difference between the local and state drug use rates in 3 areas: alcohol, tobacco and tranquiler use. Alcohol(binge drinking) for 9th graders at NW was at 22.7% and the state average was 14.8%. Tobacco use for 11th graders at NW was 22.2% and the state average was 14.8%. Tranquilzer use for NW 10th graders was 13.5% and the state average was 6.4%.**

### Year 2 Update:

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**Objectives:**

- **Provide after school prevention programming**
- **Provide student support teams to assist problem students in schools**
- **Provide summer prevention programming**
- **Provide resource materials on drug/alcohol education/awareness**
- **Provide community awareness programs on drug/alcohol**
- **Provide referral services to youth who need crisis intervention services**
- **Provide random drug testing to high school students and follow up referral services**
- **Provide counseling services in the schools for high risk students**
- **Provide drug awareness/education programs in the schools**

**Year 1 Update:**

- The North White Schools provided the Afternoons R.O.C.K. afterschool prevention program for 97 students in grades 4 and 5.
- The North White Schools provided a summer prevention program for 45 students ages 10-14.
- The White County Sheriff Reserves provided drug prevention booklets, brochures and other educational materials to 300 area youth and adults.
- Lafayette Crisis Center provided services to 112 White County youth and provided resource materials.
- The LCC provided community awareness/education programs on meth labs throughout the community as well as providing these programs to area school faculty and staff.
- Frontier Jr./Sr. High School and Tri-County High School provided at-risk counselors to work with their high risk students in the schools.
- Frontier Elementary and high school provided a study table three times per week for student who were at risk to get assistance with their academic work.
- Frontier, Tri-County and North White Schools do random drug tests on student athletes and drivers and make referrals for treatment.
- Tri-County held a panel discussion on "After High School Safety and Survival Tips" to assist teens in dealing with issues related to drug, alcohol and abusive relationships.
- Tri-County form a youth group known as Pioneerz, which is an anti-drug and postive role model group. They attended a retreat to learn how to more effectively communicate anti-drug and nonviolence messages to other students.

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**Goals:**

- Youth will gain life skills that will enable them to resist negative peer pressures, especially in the area of ATOD issues.
- We will see a decrease in the use/abuse of drugs and alcohol by youth based on Juvenile Probation statistics.

**Year 1 Annual Benchmarks:**

- North White Schools provided prevention programming after school and during the summer for 142 students, using scientifically based and research proven prevention programs. These programs teach goal setting, decision making, assertiveness training, communication skills and other skills that assist youth in resisting negative peer pressures. We would like to see the number students involved in the program increase by 3% and the length of the programs increased.
- Frontier and Tri-County Schools provided at-risk counselors for their at risk students. 15 students received services through this program. We would like to see the other county schools provide at-risk counselors and increase the number of students receiving services by 5%.
- Of the 33 youth that were involved with the probation department in 2005, 21 of them were involved for drug/alcohol related offenses. We would like to see the percentage of youth involved with probation for drug/alcohol related offenses decrease by 3%.
- The crisis center provided services to 112 White County youth. We would like to see the number of youth receiving their services increase by 3%.
- Twin Lakes School Corporation now has a police officer from the Monticello Police Department that is assigned to work with their junior high and high school to help combat drug/alcohol and violence related issues. We would like to see this program expanded to other county schools.

**Year 2 Annual Benchmarks:**

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**Problem Statement #2:** White County residents, especially uninsured and under insured adults and adolescents, have limited options when in need of services relating to substance use/abuse. Users and their relatives do not have available support services.

**Supportive Data:**

- White County has no in-patient treatment facilities available.
- Because White County is rural and residents are required to travel out of county for inpatient services, transportation is an issue that interferes with residents receiving the needed treatment services.
- Wabash Valley Hospital Outpatient Services provides out-patient chemical dependency therapy programs on a sliding fee scale

**Year 1 Update:**

- **A Treatment Assistance Program has been established for indigent members of the community to receive needed services in 2005 there were 9 juveniles and 12 adults served by this program according to the White County Probation Department. A total of 57 sessions were provided to these 21 individuals throughout 2005.**
- **Referrals for the Treatment Assistance Program come from the court system and the local mental health agency, in 2005 all referrals received assistance.**
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**Year 2 Update:**

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**Objectives:**

- **Provide treatment assistance programs for the assistance of indigent and under-insured residents of White County to receive treatment.**
- **Expand efforts with adult and juvenile probation and/or courts to enforce treatment recommendations.**
- **Create an awareness of the availability of the program and the services that it provides.**
- **Provide crisis intervention and referral services.**
- **Provide counseling to at-risk youth in the community schools.**
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**Year 1 Update:**

- Frontier and Tri-County have mental health counselors in the schools to work with at-risk students.
- The Lafayette Crisis Center hotline provides 24 hour a day crisis intervention as well as giving our information and making referrals for treatment. They helped 112 community members from White County in 2004.
- The White County Probation Department is coordinating the treatment assistance program and oversees the referral process.
- All of the schools in the community have been made aware of the availability of the treatment assistance program and the referral process.
- The treatment assistance program provided out-patient services for 9 juveniles and 12 adults in 2005.

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**Goals:**

- Increase community member's awareness of treatment options for those in need of services relating to substance use/abuse.
- Maximize the use of treatment assistance funds for people with substance abuse/use issues.

**Year 1 Annual Benchmarks:**

- The treatment assistance program provided out-patient services for 9 juveniles and 12 adults in 2005. We would like to see the number of people receiving services from the program increase by 3%.
- Frontier and Tri-County Schools have mental health counselors in the schools to work with at-risk students. We would like to see all of the county schools provide this service.
- All community schools have been made aware of the availability of the treatment assistance program and the referral process. We would like to see an informational brochure developed and made available to community members and the schools.

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**Problem Statement #3:** Law Enforcement agencies within White County struggle to contain the manufacture/importation/use of drugs into White County by residents and visitors.

**Supportive Data:**

- In White County, recreation and tourism are major influence on the community.
- The 1.5 million visitors to the area contribute to the high rate of substance use/abuse.
- Law enforcement agencies struggle to provide services to the additional population of tourists with a limited number of officers.
- Motor vehicles are the primary means of importing and distributing controlled substances in our county
- White County has a huge supply of wild marijuana plants growing in the county..

**Year 1 Update:**

- According to the Monticello Chamber of Commerce 2002 study, the number of annual tourists to Indiana Beach each summer is 850,000 and visitors to the entire county each year is 1.2 million.
- White County Sheriff's Office reported on Yearly Offense Counts for 2005: Public Intoxication - 155, Underage consumption - 150, OVWI Misdemeanor - 147, Possession of Marijuana - 92, OVWI felony - 58, OVWI Blood Alcohol Content - 58, Possession of paraphernalia - 44, Possession of Cocaine or Narcotic Drug - 36, Possession of Controlled Substance - 12, Dealing in cocaine or narcotic drug - 12, Purchasing over 3 grams of ephedrine/pseudoeph - 5, Furnishing Alcohol to Minor - 4, Dealing in Marijuana/Hash - 3, Dealing in Controlled substance/I,II,III - 3, Manufacture of paraphernalia - 1, Habitual Controlled Substance Offender - 1, Acquiring a Controlled Substance by Fraud - 1.
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**Objectives:**

- Support law enforcement activities for interdiction, personnel, training and equipment needs.
- Encourage joint task force efforts with multi-agency enforcement departments to reduce importation of controlled substances into White County.

**Year 1 Update:**

- **The White County Sheriff's Department conducted a D.U.I.P Patrol that resulted in 31 citations and 117 warnings being issued for drug/alcohol related offenses.**
- **The Monticello Police Department was able to purchase an in car video to help with arrests and documentation of impaired drivers.**
- **IN State Police purchased digital cameras to assist in investigations, especially in cases of accidents involving drunk or impaired drivers.**
- **All equipment purchased by the LCC is shared among all of the law enforcement agencies in the county.**
- **The prosecutor and the law enforcement agencies conducted community meetings to create an awareness/education on the subject of meth.**

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**Goals:**

- **Increased arrests for possession of controlled substances.**
- **Increased seizures of controlled substances.**
- **Reduction in the availability of controlled substances to the consumers.**
- **Develop additional arrests of persons dealing in controlled substances.**

**Year 1 Annual Benchmarks:**

- The IN State Police made 21 operating while intoxicated arrests. We would like to see this increase by 3%.
- The White County Sheriff's Department made 31 arrests and issues 117 warnings for drug/alcohol related offenses. We would like to see this increase by 3%.
- The law enforcement agencies worked with the prosecutor's office to provide awareness/education programs in two of the school corporations and in the community. We would like to see the number of these programs increase so that all county school corporations receive these programs and the number of community programs increase by at least two programs.
- The law enforcement agencies purchased cameras and video equipment that is used for documentation purposes in arrests to help provide evidence for convictions. They share the equipment between all law enforcement agencies in the county.
- The law enforcement agencies in the county work together to coordinate the use of equipment, share information and assist each other.

**Year 2 Annual Benchmarks:**

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***Please attach the County's Fiscal Report for review!***

**Next Annual Update Due: April 2007**

**Next Comprehensive Community Plan Due: April 2007**

**Date of Community Consultant Review: May 5, 2006**

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The information and data provided is presented as factual and accurate. I hereby acknowledge that I can be asked to submit proper documentation regarding the data submitted within the Plan. Failure to do so could result in a "denied approval" by the Commission under IC 5-2-6-16.

The Local Drug Free Communities Fund must be spent according to the goals identified within the plan. I hereby acknowledge that I can be asked to submit proper documentation regarding funds that are collected, allocated, and disbursed within the county. Failure to do so could result in a "denied approval" by the Commission under IC 5-2-6-16.

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## LOCAL DRUG FREE COMMUNITIES FUND INFORMATION

**(1) Amount deposited into the drug-free communities fund during the most recent, complete calendar year, per the County Auditor:**

- In 2004 the White County Auditor's office deposited \$48,274.52 into the LCC's Drug-Free Community Fund from fees collected.
- -0-rolled over from unused 2003 funds.
- \$ 48,274.52 total amount available for 2005 programs and administrative costs.
- \$4,050 allocated for administrative costs leaving \$44,224.52 available for 2005 programming.
- \$2,404.73 more as allocated for funding than was available. However, administrative costs have only been averaging half of the allocated amount and treatment assistance has not been using all of their money so the LCC felt that the money would be available for the funds. If it was not, then money from the first quarter of 2006 would be used to pay the additional amounts.

**(2) Fund allocation by category, including a brief description of the purpose of the grant funding:**

CATEGORY	APPLICANT/PROJECT or PROGRAM: description	AMOUNT
Prevention	North White Elementary Schools for 3 after school programs and a summer prevention program	\$13,750.00
Prevention	North White Middle School for at-risk counselor for at risk students	\$ 940.00
Prevention	Tri-County High School for drug testing of student drivers and students involved in extra-curricular activities	\$3,525.00
Prevention	White County Sheriff Reserves for pamphlets, brochures and other materials to distribute to create an awareness/education on the drug and alcohol problem.	\$1410.00
Prevention	Frontier High School for at-risk counselor for at risk students and a study table.	\$1561.00
Treatment	North White Middle School for at-risk counselor for at risk students	\$470.00
Treatment	Frontier Jr./Sr. High School for drug testing	\$5828.00
Treatment	Treatment Assistance/White County Probation	\$5200.00

	for a treatment assistance program for indigent clients who need assessment/treatment for drug and alcohol related problems.	
Law Enforcement	White County Sheriff's Department for impaired driving program	\$6000.00
Law Enforcement	Monon Police Department for impaired driving program	\$2000.00
Law Enforcement	Monticello Police Department for an in-car video system to assist with impaired driver arrests.	\$5254.00
Law Enforcement	IN State Police Department for digital cameras to assist with impaired driver arrests.	\$984.00
Administrative	Administrative costs including postage and coordinator's fees.	\$4050.00

**(3) Describe the grant process and requirements for the grantees:**

Grant application forms are mailed to past recipients, schools and local agencies. Notice is put in local newspaper that applications are being accepted for programs that combat the drug problem in White county in the areas of law enforcement, treatment or prevention. A grant committee reviews all grant applications in December and makes recommendations to the LCC in January. The LCC votes on funding and the county commissioners approve the LCC decision regarding funding. Grant recipients must attend at least 2 out of 4 LCC meetings and provide a verbal report on their program. They must also submit a written mid-year and end of year report. They must maintain records for audit purposes.

**(4) Total number of dollar amount of grant requests in each of the three categories:**

CATEGORY	GRANTS RECEIVED	DOLLARS REQUESTED	GRANTS APPROVED	DOLLARS APPROVED
Prevention	8	\$40,539.00	5	\$21,186.00
Treatment	3	\$15,020.00	3	\$11,498.00
Law Enforcement	4	\$17,636.05	4	\$14,238.00
Administrative	1	\$4,050.00	1	\$4,050.00

- Please note that 3 grant requests were not funded (total of \$18,000). The grant requests and the reason for their denial is listed below:
  - Pam Munster - did not have a complete application with enough information and the money was requested for supplies that could be obtained for free from community resources.

- North White High School – incomplete application with insufficient information (did not complete even after 3<sup>rd</sup> request)
- Lafayette Crisis Center- did not comply with requirements previous year in attendance at meetings to give oral reports and did not submit a year end written report.

(5) Provide administrative expenses:

EXPENSE	COST
Coordinator	\$2093.07
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2093.07</b>

(6) Provide amount of any unused dollars from previous years: None